Parks, Libraries & Cultural Activities Committee Meeting Monday, July 16, 2007 3:07 p.m. Third Floor, City Hall

Present: Chair: CM Stuckel

Members: CM Peden and CW Green

Excused Absence: CW Ward-Pugh, CW Welch, CM Engel and CM King

Special Items for Discussion: NONE

CM Stuckel began the meeting by announcing the members that were present. A quorum was not established.

R-111-06-07 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE METRO GOVERNMENT TO ENTER INTO A \$13,000.00 AGREEMENT WITH THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY ENVIRONMENTAL AND PUBLIC PROTECTION CABINET DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR COOPERATIVE FORESTRY ASSISTANCE.

Status: In-Committee

Committee: Parks, Libraries & Cultural Activities

Primary Sponsor: Vicki Welch

Motion to approve made by James Peden and seconded by Judy Green.

**Discussion:** Cindy Marquel, Arborist, Department of Public Works, stated she applied for an Urban Community Forestry Grant to provide urban forestry assistance through various activities. The following was discussed:

- Thorough inventory of all trees in the right of way in the Central Business District
  - Planting Site
  - Young trees that are not maintained which is costing more money
  - How old the tree is
  - Size of the tree
  - If there are problems with utility lines
  - Soil test and site assessment to see where there might be improvement
  - Trees that might need maintenance
  - Locations where trees are missing
- ❖ Management Plan recommendation of what should be done in the central focus point
- Planning of long term goals
- Downtown Management will have two of their supervisors manage the trees and make sure the work is done properly – Cindy Marquel will train them
- County Extension and Metro Parks will do monitoring and training of volunteers
- Most of the matching funds will be in-kind they will not be monetary
  - \$6,000 is going toward planting of trees from a similar program this money will be counted toward the match
  - Cindy Marguel's time will be consider a match since this is something she is doing at the present time

By unanimous vote, this item was sent Old Business due to a quorum not established.

Motion to Adjourn made by James Peden and seconded by Judy Green. Without objection the meeting adjourned at 3:14 p.m.

\*NOTE: Items sent to the Consent Calendar or Old Business will be heard before the full Council at the July 26, 2007 Metro Council Meeting.

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